

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Gennaro et al.  
Serial No. : 10/009,384  
Filed : November 2, 2001  
Title : SECRETED PROTEINS OF MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS AND  
THEIR USE AS VACCINES AND DIAGNOSTIC REAGENTS

**BOX PCT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In response to the communication dated February 20, 2002 (copy enclosed), applicants submit herewith a Sequence Listing in computer-readable form as required by 37 CFR §1.824. In addition, applicants submit an initial Sequence Listing as required under 37 CFR §1.823(a) and a statement under 37 CFR §1.821(f).

Applicants respectfully request entry of the paper copy and computer-readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith for the instant application. Furthermore, applicants request entry of the following amendments.

In the specification:

Insert the paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith following the Oath/Declaration.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 1 is a depiction of the amino acid sequences of *M. tuberculosis* polypeptides MTSP1-MTSP47 (SEQ ID NOs:1-47, respectively).--

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL

Express Mail Label No. EF 353 816 111 US

Date of Deposit 8/20/02